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CAMPBELL ESTATE DONATES LAND FOR KAPOLEI ROAD

HONOLULU – SEPTEMBER 23, 2003 – COUNCILMEMBER MIKE GABBARD ANNOUNCED today that, in response to his request, Campbell Estate will donate to the City land in fee simple valued at approximately \$200,000 for the construction of the Kamokila Boulevard Extension in Kapolei. Gabbard represents the Ewa-Kapolei-Wai'anāe area (Council District 1).

In an August 14th letter to Campbell Estate CEO Steve MacMillan, Gabbard requested that the land be donated for the much-anticipated project "so that we can get this roadway completed as quickly as possible and with as little expense to the taxpayers of the City & County of Honolulu." Gabbard was notified by the Estate yesterday that his request had been well received and that the land would be given to the City.

The Kamokila Boulevard Extension will be a .2-mile (point-two-mile), four-lane road linking Kamokila Boulevard with Franklin D. Roosevelt Avenue. The project will relieve traffic congestion in Kapolei by allowing both Ewa and Kapolei residents to bypass the City of Kapolei on their commute to employment centers including Campbell Industrial Park, Ko Olina Resort, and the Wai'anāe Coast. Both the City and State included funding for the extension in their respective Fiscal Year 2003-2004 capital budgets and are collaborating on the project.

"This is great news," Gabbard said. "The Kamokila Boulevard Extension is one of my top priority projects to relieve traffic congestion for our long-suffering leeward motorists. Saving \$200,000 in taxpayer dollars is definitely the icing on the cake. I thank Campbell Estate for making this generous contribution. Now we need to ensure that the City and State move this project forward quickly in order to help mitigate Ewa/Kapolei's traffic problems."

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